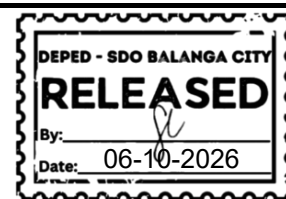




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DIVISION MEMORANDUM

No. 308 s. 2026

**PILOT ADMINISTRATION OF THE LITERACY AND NUMERACY KNOWLEDGE (LiNK)  
TESTS**

To: Division Chiefs  
Public Elementary and Secondary School Heads  
Private Senior High School Administrators  
All Others Concerned

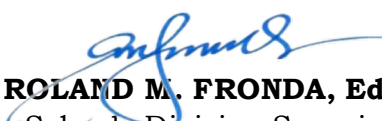
1. Pursuant to DepEd Memorandum DM-OULS-2026-0211 from the Office of the Undersecretary for Learning Systems, titled "**Pilot Administration of the Literacy and Numeracy Knowledge (LiNK) Tests**," this Office announces the implementation and pilot administration of the said diagnostic assessments.
2. The Department of Education (DepEd) is piloting the **Literacy and Numeracy Knowledge (LiNK) Tests**. This initiative harmonizes student assessments under a single framework to track foundational skills over time, create consistent performance reports, and better target support for learners who need it.
3. In accordance with the national guidelines, this Schools Division Office (SDO) has selected and designated the following schools for the pilot implementation:
  - Key Stages 1 and 2 (Elementary)-**Cupang Integrated School**
  - Key Stage 3 (Junior High School)-**City of Balanga National High School**
  - Key Stage 4 (Senior High School)-**All Senior High Schools** (both public and private)
4. Access to the assessment toolkits for Key Stages 1 to 3 will be granted upon the successful submission of the identified pilot schools. For **Key Stage 4**, the guidelines, test materials, and submission templates can be accessed directly via the following links:
  - **LiNK Key Stage 4 – Literacy:** <https://tinyurl.com/ks4lit26lit>
  - **LiNK Key Stage 4 – Numeracy:** <https://tinyurl.com/ks4num26num>
5. These diagnostic assessments shall be officially administered at the **Beginning of School Year (BoSY)**, consistent with the approved school calendar provided under DepEd Order No. 009, s. 2026 (*Guidelines on the Implementation of the Three-Term School Calendar in Basic Education*).



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6. To uphold test integrity, strict confidentiality of all assessment materials must be observed. Access is restricted **exclusively to authorized personnel** responsible for test administration and results processing. Public posting or dissemination of any toolkit links or test materials on social media is strictly prohibited.
7. For any inquiries or internal clarifications within the Division, please coordinate with the **Curriculum Implementation Division (CID)**.
8. Immediate dissemination of and strict compliance with this Memorandum is directed.

  
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